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SUBJECT: TERRORIST ATTACK - MARTIAL LAW - SITREP I

1. OFFICE OF PRESIDENT DISSEMINATED MARTIAL LAW DECREE AT 12:30 AM DECEMBER 28 ISSUED BY PRESIDENT AND CABINET IN VIEW OF TERRORIST INCIDENT TAKING PLACE IN HOUSE OF FORMER MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE JOSE MARIA CASTILLO IN MANAGUA.

2. DECREE STATES THAT IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE PEACE AND PRESERVE ORDER THE CABINET INVOKED ARTICLE 193 OF CONSTITUTION ESTABLISHING A STATE OF SIEGE AND MARTIAL LAW. DECISION TAKEN AS CONSEQUENCE OF FSLN (SANDINISTA FRONT OF NATIONAL LIBERATION) TERRORISTS BREAKING INTO PARTY AT HOME OF JOSE MARIA CASTILLO AT 2300 HOURS DEC. 27, FIRING MACHINE GUNS, KILLING TWO POLICE GUARDS AND WOUNDING CRITICALLY TWO OTHER PERSONS, AND TAKING INTO HOSTAGE THE CASTILLO HOUSEHOLD AND THEIR SEVERAL GUESTS INCLUDING NICARAGUAN AMBASSADOR TO UN GUILLERMO LANG, NICARAGUAN AMBASSADOR TO U.S. AND DEAN OF WASHINGTON DIPLOMATIC CORPS GUILLERMO SEVILLA-SACASA, INFONAC HEAD AND SOMOZA FIRST COUSIN NOEL PALLAIS, MINISTER OF NATIONAL

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DISTRICT LUIS VALLE, OLIVARES, NEWSCOMMENTATOR LAZLO PATACKY,

OTHER DISTINGUISHED PERSONS, SERVANTS AND MUSICIANS. DECREE CONTINUES THAT OWING TO THE PROMINENCE OF THE PEOPLE INVOLVED AND FACT THAT WOMEN ALSO BEING HELD, GOVERNMENT EXERTING ALL EFFORTS TO PERSUADE TERRORISTS TO DESIST. GON HAS SUSPENDED ALL CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES AND HAS APPLIED MARTIAL LAW THROUGHOUT NICARAGUA. GON IN FULL CONTROL OF SITUATION THROUGHOUT NATIONAL TERRITORY.

2. RADIO REPORTS THAT CURFEW BEING DECLARED FROM MIDNIGHT TO 6:00 AM. SHELTON

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